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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of:)
Masahiro IWAMOTO et al.)
Application No.: 08/878,177) Group Art Unit: 1653
rr) Examiner: K. Carlson
Filed: June 18, 1997)
For: CELL CALCIFICATION SUPPRESSING PROTEINS AND GENES OF THE PROTEINS)))
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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated September 21, 2000, of the Examiner finally rejecting claims 2, 20, and 28-32 of the above-identified application.

The sections checked below are appropriate:

1. A Petition for a three (3) month extension of time responding to the final rejection including a check in the amount of \$890.00, is being filed concurrently herewith extending the period for response to March 21, 2001.

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2. Enclosed please find a second check in the amount of \$ 310.00 for the Notice of Appeal fee.

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If there are any other fees required in connection with the filing of this Notice, please charge the appropriate fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310. If additional fees for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 are not included above, please charge such fees also to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,

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